

# Mount St Thomas Public School

## Works notification | 29 April 2024

Dear staff and parents/carers,

After heavy rainfall on the weekend of 6 and 7 April 2024, fragments of building material were found on the ground in the grassed area on the northern side of the hall at Mount St Thomas Public.

These fragments were suspected to contain asbestos and as a precautionary measure the area was cordoned off. On 8 April 2024, we engaged an independent hygienist to inspect the area and remove the fragments for testing.

Testing confirmed that some of the fragments did contain bonded asbestos.

NSW Health explains that if bonded asbestos is mixed with cement or other hard bonding materials, and in good condition, it is likely to be low risk.

All inspection work was done in accordance with work, health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. All work was completed by licensed and accredited asbestos contractors and monitored by independent hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies, and guidelines.

The school received a clearance certificate from the independent hygienist after the inspection and the area was made accessible again.

The health, safety, and wellbeing of the school and the local community is our highest priority.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

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